Pondicherry has been received and the matter is under consideration of the Government.

Marriage and children restrictions on the air hostesses

1785. SHRI SAMAR MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question No. 127 given in the Rajya Sabha on 27th July, 1988 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Air Hostesses are not allowed to marry within four years of joining service even if they cross the marriageable age and cannot have more than two children else they are forced to retire;

(b) whether it is also a fact that Air India does not allow female cabin crew equal treatment or inflight supervision, even though they are senior most and competent; and

(c) whether these amount to sexual discrimination towards Women workers in Air India and Indian Airlines?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI MOTI LAL VORA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The functions/duties of air hostesses are regulated in terms of provisions of cabin crew manual, according to which the seniormost flight pursuer is to be in overall charge of the cabin crew on board the flight. In the widebodied aircraft, inflight supervisor is in charge. The categories of air hostess and assistant flight pursuer constitute two separate cadres and their terms and conditions of services are separate There can, therefore, be no comparison between the seniority of a person in one cadre as against the seniority of a person in the other.

(c) Does not arise.

Sanskrit Degree Colleges in Himachal Pradesh

1786. SHRI R. S. NAIK: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any Degree Colleges in Sanskrit are functioning in Himachal Pradesh, with the assistance of Central Government;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) what is the amount of grants made by Government for the said Colleges during the last three years;

(d) whether Government have sent any Supervisory party during April, 1988, if so, what are the details thereof; and

(e) whether Government are going to recognise the Sanskrit Degree Colleges in Himachal Pradesh as Adarsh Sanskrit Vidyalaya?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Question do not arise.

(d) An Inspection Committee constituted by Government of India has inspected three Institutions in Himachal Pradesh in March, 1988 to examine their eligibility for recognition under the Adarsh Pathshala scheme.

(e) Report of the Committee is under consideration.

Hotels, Guest Houses, Holiday Resorts run by ITDC

1787. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of India Tourism Development Corporation

run hotels, guest houses and holiday resorts in the country, state-wise, till March 31st, 1988;

(b) what is the number of places where new hotels, guest houses or holiday resorts are proposed to be opened during the current year alongwith the number of hotels, guest houses and holiday resorts; and

(c) what is the number of foreign tourists who visited the country during the last year?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI MOTILAL VORA): (a) and (b) The requisite information is given in Statements I and II (*See* below).

(c) Foreign tourists numbering 11,63,774 visited India during 1987 excluding the nationals of Pakistan and Bangladesh.

Statement-I

State-wise ITDC run Hotels/Guest Houses/Holiday Resorts till March 31, 1988

Sl. No.	Name of Unit
1	*ASSAM*
	Hotel Brahmaputra Ashok, Guwahati (JV)
2	*BIHAR*
	Hotel Patliputra Ashok, Patliputra.
	T.L. Bodhgaya
3	*HIMACHAL PPRADESH*
	T.L. at Manali
4	*JAMMU & KASHMIR*
	Hotel Jammu Ashok, Jammu
5	*KARNATAKA*
	Hotel Ashok, Bangalore
	Lalitha Mahal Palace Hotel, Mysore.
	Hotel Hassan Ashok, Hassan
6.	*KERALA*
	Kovalam Ashok Beach Resort
7.	*MADHYA PRADESH*
	Hotel Khajuraho Ashok
8.	*MAHARASHTRA*
	Hotel at Aurangabad
	*Hotel Executive Ashok, Pune
	*Hotel Shalini Palace Ashok, Kolhapur
9.	*MANIPUR*
	*Hotel Imphal Ashok
10	*MEGHALAYA*
	*Hotel Pinewood Ashok, Shillong
11	*ORISSA*
	Hotel Kalinga Ashok, Bhubaneshwar
12	*RAJASTHAN*
	Laxmi Vilas Palace Hotel, Udaipur
	Hotel Jaipur Ashok, Jaipur
	*Forest Lodge Bharatpur
	*Hotel Ratnada Ashok, Jodhpur
13	*TAMIL NADU*
	Temple Bay Ashok Beach Resort, Mamallapuram
	Hotel Madurai Ashok, Madurai
14	*UTTAR PRADESH*
	Hotel Varanasi Ashok, Varanasi
	Hotel at Agra
15	*WEST BENGAL*
	Hotel Airport Ashok, Calcutta
16	*DELHI (U.T.)*
	Ashok Hotel, New Delhi.
	Hotel Janpath, New Delhi
	Lodhi Hotel, New Delhi.
	Hotel Ranjit, New Delhi.

Sl. No	Name of Unit
	Qutab Hotel, New Delhi.
	Hotel Samrat, New Delhi.
	Hotel Kanishk, New Delhi.
	Ashok Yatri Niwas, New Delhi
17	*State Guest House & Hospitality Centre, Hyderabad House, New Delhi.

JV—Joint Venture Project.

*—Managed Properties.

Statement-II

Number of places where new hotels guest houses, holiday resorts are proposed to be opened by ITDC during current years:

Sl. No.	Name of the Project
1.	Hotel at Gulmarg — Phase I
2.@	Hotel Ranchi Ashok, Ranchi (JV)
3.	Hotel Bhopal Ashok, Bhopal (JV)
4.	Hotel Nilachal Ashok, Puri (JV)
5.	Hotel Pondicherry Ashok, Pondicherry (JV)
6.	Hotel Donyi Polo Ashok, Itanagar (JV)
7.@	Hotel Japfu Ashok, Kohima**

JV: Joint Venture Project

@The hotel is operational and is scheduled to be inauguarted soon.

**Managed Property.

Vending/catering contracts in Railways

1788. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of persons to whom vending/catering contracts at railway platforms have been given during the last three years;

(b) to what extent the guidelines of the 15 Point Programme of Prime Minister has been followed in giving these contracts to Muslims, Harijans and other minorities; and

(c) what are the names of persons belonging to Muslim, Harijans and other minorities to whom these contracts have been given?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) 521.

(b) As per extant policy, Catering/Vending contracts upto ½ units are reserved for Schedued Castes/Scheduled Tribes. No reservation exists for other categories.

(c) The information is not maintained in this form.

Passengers/Freight carried by Railways

1789. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of passengers who travelled by trains from April 1987 till March 31, 1988, zonewise;

(b) what is the number of steam, diesel and electric locomotives available in the country as on March 31, 1988;

(c) what is the total volume of freight carried by the railways during the last financial year; and

(d) what is the total number of railway wagons and coaches available in the country as on March 31, 1988?